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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. SC MEETING ON CHILE: US WILL BE TARGET OF VITUPERATION

A. AFTER CONSULTATIONS IN NEW YORK, ALL SC MEMBERS
AGREED TO MEET MONDAY, SEPT. 17, TO CONSIDER A CUBAN
COMPLAINT ABOUT THE TREATMENT OF THEIR DIPLOMATS IN
CHILE. NO FORMAL OBJECTIONS WERE RAISED TO CONVENING
THE SC, BUT THE UK, AUSTRALIA, AND FRANCE NOTED THAT
CUBAN COMPLAINTS REFERRED TO INCIDENTS WHICH WERE BY-
PRODUCTS OF A VIOLENT, INTERNAL UPHEAVAL THAT DID NOT
WARRANT AN SC MEETING. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) 3201,
9/14.

B. USUN RECOMMENDS THE DEPARTMENT STIMULATE THE CHILEAN
REGIME TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE OF "STATURE, PRESENCE
AND ALERTNESS" TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SC DEBATE ON MONDAY.

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THE SOVIETS AND CUBANS ARE MOTIVATED TO DO AS MUCH DAMAGE
AS POSSIBLE TO THE NEW REGIME. UNLESS AN EFFECTIVE VOICE
IS RAISED IN DEFENSE, THE NEW REGIME WILL SUFFER ENDURING
LOSSES, AND THE US WILL BECOME THE PRINCIPAL TARGET OF
VICIOUS RHETORIC. THE US "SHOULD HAVE NO ILLUSIONS THAT

DETENTE UMBRELLA WILL PROTECT US AGAINST WHAT LOOKS LIKE

A FULL-SCALE EFFORT TO EMBARRASS US." (CONFIDENTIAL)
USUN 3202, 9/14 (EXDIS).

2. AMERICANS MAY BE TARGET OF "ALLENDE VENGEANCE"

EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES HAS RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT THE ERP (PEOPLES' REVOLUTIONARY ARMY) IS PLANNING A TERRORIST OPERATION AGAINST THE US MISSION WITH THREE POSSIBLE ACTIONS: (1) ASSASSINATION OF THE AMBASSADOR; (2) SEIZURE OF THE CHANCERY; (3) KIDNAPPING OF A US MISSION ELEMENT. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE OPERATION WILL BE UNDERTAKEN THIS WEEKEND. (SECRET) BUENOS AIRES 6804, 9/14.

3. ITALY ASKED TO TAKE ACTION IN FEDAYEEN MISSILE PLOT

ISRAEL HAS REQUESTED STRONG ITALIAN REPRESENTATIONS TO THE USSR, EGYPT, SYRIA, AND IRAQ CONCERNING THE ABORTED FEDAYEEN-PLANNED MISSILE ATTACK ON AN ISRAELI AIRLINER AT ROME. ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS HAVE DEVELOPED THE SCENARIO OF A POSSIBLE APPROACH AND HAVE REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FROM FOREIGN MINISTER MORO TO PROCEED IN A LOW-KEY MANNER. HIS DECISION IS EXPECTED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. (SECRET) ROME 9654, 9/14 (EXDIS).

4. THE RUSSIANS ARE COMING

THE SPANISH AMBASSADOR IN RABAT REPORTED TO HIS GOVERNMENT THAT MOROCCO'S KING HASSAN HAS GRANTED THE SOVIETS SUBMARINE FACILITIES AT AGADIR. SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTER RODO, "UNDERSTANDABLY CONCERNED," ORDERED THAT THE INFORMATION BE PASSED TO EMBASSY MADRID WITH A REQUEST FOR US COMMENTS. (SECRET) MADRID 5252, 9/14.

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5. NATO BRIEFED ON EC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING

DANISH NATO PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE SVART BRIEFED THE NON-EC PERMREPS ON THE COPENHAGEN EC MINISTERIAL MEETING ON US-EUROPEAN RELATIONS. HE OUTLINED THE STEPS TAKEN TOWARD A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT NIXON, BUT MAINTAINED THE NINE HAD NOT TRIED TO COMPETE WITH OR PRE-EMPT NATO. SVART CALLED FOR NATO TO MOVE QUICKLY TO PRODUCE A DRAFT NATO DECLARATION ON SECURITY AND POLITICAL MATTERS TO COMPLEMENT THE EC DRAFT ON ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ISSUES. (CONFIDENTIAL) USNATO 4316, 9/13 (LIMDIS).

6. THE HEAT IS ON THE KOREAN CIA

EMBASSY SEOUL REPORTS THAT THE JAPANESE REACTION TO THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT HANDLING OF THE KIM TAE-CHUNG CASE IS CAUSING STRAINS BETWEEN KOREAN CIA (KCIA) CHIEF YI HU-RAK AND OTHER HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. TWICE IN THE LAST WEEK THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE HAS EMOTIONALLY INSISTED TO AMBASSADOR HABIB THAT YI MUST BE DISMISSED AND THE KCIA MUST TAKE THE BLAME FOR THE ABDUCTION, AS A SACRIFICE TO KOREAN-JAPANESE RELATIONS. THE EFFECT OF SUCH MANIFESTATIONS ON PRESIDENT PARK'S ATTITUDE, HOWEVER, IS STILL UNCLEAR. (SECRET) SEOUL 6244, 9/14 (EXDIS).

7. PENDING CABINET CHANGES IN EGYPT

SADAT REPORTEDLY INTENDS TO APPOINT SAYED MAREI PRIME MINISTER AND RENAME GENERAL SADEK AS MINISTER OF WAR PRIOR TO RAMADAN, WHICH BEGINS IN OCTOBER. SADAT AND MAREI ARE WORKING OUT DETAILS OF A NEW POLICY TO BE ADOPTED AFTER MAREI BECOMES PRIME MINISTER. THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE A CHANGE IN FUNDAMENTAL STATE POLICY FROM SOCIALISM TO DEMOCRACY. (SECRET) CAIRO 2746, 9/14 (LIMDIS). RUSH
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